

Notice of Proposed No Further Action

For

Simpson Timber (Arcata Redwood)
Highway 101
Smith River, California

Case Number 1TDN007

Del Norte County

Notice Posting Date: September 25, 2019

End of Comment Period: November 25, 2019

A soil and groundwater investigation was conducted at the above-referenced site and a release of petroleum hydrocarbons was documented. Although some contamination remains, this site meets the conditions for closure under the State Water Resources Control Board's "Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy." Investigations and cleanup were also conducted for discharges associated with the wood milling operations, including wood preservatives. Regional Water Board staff proposes that no further work be required. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties, including owners of nearby land, that the case is being considered for closure, and to invite public comment on this proposed decision.

Problem Description

The discharge of petroleum hydrocarbons from underground storage tanks was documented at a northern parcel that included the truck shop for the mill. Historical discharges were also documented at the wood milling parcel. Site investigations and cleanups were conducted at these areas of concern.

Proposed Action

Case closure is proposed. This site meets the conditions for closure under the State Water Resources Control Board's "Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy"

(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/lt_cls_plcy.html)

Unless significant comments are received or new information is presented regarding this site, Regional Water Board staff plans to proceed with the closure process upon conclusion of the comment period. Please contact Cody Walker at (707) 576-2642 or Cody.Walker@waterboards.ca.gov with any questions or comments. Written comments may also be submitted to:

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
Attention: Cody Walker
5550 Skylane Blvd, Suite A
Santa Rosa, CA 95403

Regional Water Board site records comprise both a paper file and an electronic file. Beginning in 2005, select file material was uploaded to the State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website and not necessarily included in the paper file. All

new file material after 2014 is retained only electronically. The GeoTracker records are available at

https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0601500007

The paper file ("Simpson Timber (Arcata Redwood)", Case No. 1TDN007) may be reviewed at the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board office from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Appointments are recommended and can be arranged by calling (707) 576-2220.

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